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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

John G.K. Williams *et al.*

Application No.: 09/876,375

Filed: June 6, 2001

For: NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCING
USING CHARGE-SWITCH
NUCLEOTIDES

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 8990

Examiner: Teresa E. Strzelecka

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 30, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Notice of Appeal is being submitted concurrently herewith. Applicants believe that the amendments herein place the application in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.